

Video Script
Honoring MEMA at American Red Cross Save the Day
Gala
Taping Monday, May 18, 2009
10:00 a.m.

Good evening.

Marsha and I have seen the work of the American Red Cross and the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency on an up close and personal basis many times. They've never faltered, never failed in their missions to help people in times of tragedy. All too often here in Mississippi, we've come to know what that means.

Tonight, it's very appropriate that you honor the outstanding professionals at MEMA and their commitment to ensuring the safety of all Mississippians. They're certainly deserving and worthy of the Red Cross Save the Day Community Partner Award.

Because of the exceptional partnership between MEMA and the Red Cross, families in our state are more prepared and more informed than ever about how to protect themselves in times of disaster.

MEMA Executive Director Mike Womack and his capable staff work tirelessly to ensure Mississippians are not only prepared for an emergency but also can recover as quickly as possible when tragedy occurs.

Marsha and I are grateful to the MEMA team for the job they do and to the Red Cross for honoring MEMA in this way. Congratulations.

Thank you.